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1 Overview

Language family:	Indo-European (Romance)
Countries:	Spain, Andorra, France, Italy
Number of speakers:	4.1 million
Agreement features:	number, person
Attested word orders:	SV
Coordination types:	and, or

(The data were entered by a native speaker via an online survey.)

2 Patterns for number

2.1 Coordination with “and”

2.1.1 SV order

Pattern: The number on the verb is plural in all cases.

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	sg	pl
	sg	pl
sg	pl	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

- (1) El noi i l-home corren.
the.SG boy.SG and the-man.SG run.3PL
‘The boy and the man run.’
- (2) a. Els nois i l-home corren.
the.PL boy.PL and the-man.SG run.3PL
‘The boys and the man run.’
b. El noi i els homes corren.
the.SG boy.SG and the.PL man.PL run.3PL
‘The boy and the men run.’

2.2 Coordination with “or”

2.2.1 SV order

Pattern: With two singular conjuncts, the verb is singular. If the two conjuncts mismatch in number, number is resolved to plural.

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	sg	pl
	sg	pl
sg	sg	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

- (3) El noi o l-home corre.
the.SG boy.SG or the-man.SG run.3SG
‘The boy or the man run.’
- (4) a. Els nois o l-home corren.
the.PL boy.PL or man.SG run.3PL
‘The boys or the man run.’
b. El noi o els homes corren.
the.SG boy.SG or the.PL man.PL run.3PL
‘The boy or the men run.’

3 Patterns for person

3.1 Coordination with “and”

3.1.1 SV order

Pattern: In all cases person is resolved to first person. (Note: number is resolved to plural.)

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

- (5) a. Tu i jo correm.
you and I run.1PL
‘You and I run.’
b. Jo i tu correm.
I and you run.1PL
‘I and you run.’
- (6) a. Nosaltres i ells correm.
we and they run.1PL
‘We and they run.’
b. Ells i nosaltres correm.
they and we run.1PL
‘They and we run.’

3.2 Coordination with “or”

3.2.1 SV order

Pattern: In all cases person is resolved to first person. (Note: Number is resolved to plural.)

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

- (7) a. Tu o jo correm.
you or I run.1PL
‘You or I run.’
b. Jo o tu correm.
I or you run.1PL
‘I or you run.’
- (8) a. Nosaltres o ells correm.
we or they run.1PL
‘We or they run.’

- b. Ells o nosaltres correm.
they or we run.1PL
'They or we run.'